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:en at Cliveden for many years, but it does not seem to have altered, except for now belonging to the National Trust. The grounds are magnificent, and the view down the great terrace to the Thames, splendid. There are acres of gardens, in which Bill takes great interest. The original house was built by the Duke of Buckingham in the time of Charles II. Destroyed by fire, it was replaced by another house, with another owner, in the 18th century. Again burnt, the present edifice was erected by the architect Barry, for the Duke of Sutherland, about 1851. It has many of the faults of that period. There is much dark oak panelling, relieved by fine portraits and paintings. The Caccias were staying there, as well as Bill Harcourt, and the Evelyn Fanshawes, with whom I [redacted] hunted in the 1930's. At dinner tonight were added Irene Stirling, Lord and Lady Carrington, Sir John and Lady Wolfenden, and Lord and Lady Ranfurly.

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May 13, 1962 - Sunday

It was almost bitterly cold yesterday and today, as has been the case in London, although Bill Astor swims each morning in his outdoor heated pool. We were sorry to leave the excellent company and our hospitable hosts after lunch, to return to London.

Tonight, Phyllis and Douglas Dillon, Joe Alsop, and Polly Wisner dined with us. Joe [redacted] interviewed Chancellor Adenauer a few days ago, and described the occasion in his customary picturesque language. It [redacted] filled him with gloom, a not difficult condition to bring about.

May 14, 1962 - Monday

I spoke for about an hour this morning to the members of the U. S. Trade Mission group who are to scatter out to our Consulates and use them as bases of operation to stimulate American exports. We have been instructed to participate

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